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WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE

Wednesday, April 1, 2009
2:00 P.M.

Manistee County Courthouse & Government Center
Board of Commissioners Meeting Room

MINUTES

Members Present: Ervin Kowalski, Chairperson; Jim Krolczyk; and Glenn Lottie

Others Present: Thomas Kaminski, County Controller/Administrator; Mark DiBenedetto, Drain Commissioner; Michelle Brya, Hubbard Law Firm; Larry Protasiewicz, Spicer Group; and Rachel Nelson, Administrative Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 2:05 P.M.

ITEMS NOT REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

Ms. Brya and Mr. Protasiewicz had spent the morning with Mr. DiBenedetto to determine what drains have been established under the Drain Code within the County and which would fall under his jurisdiction. They noted that there should be a large ledger book that was started in the late 1800s or early 1900s and it appears to be missing. They discussed the process of establishing drains and drainage districts. There was lengthy discussion regarding various options available to the County and the Drain Commissioner for funding the maintenance of established County drains. The Committee members also asked many questions. A formal letter should be received from Ms. Brya and Mr. Protasiewicz explaining their thoughts and concerns once they've finished reviewing the Drain Commissioner's files.

The meeting adjourned at 3:10 P.M.

Ervin Kowalski, Chairperson

Glenn Lottie, Commissioner

Jim Krolczyk, Commissioner